

MINUTES
SUTTONS BAY TOWNSHIP BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 14, 2021

CALL TO ORDER - REGULAR MEETING

Rich Bahle, Supervisor, called the regular meeting of the Suttons Bay Township Board of Trustees to order at 5:15 P.M. on Wednesday, July 14, 2021 at the Firehall Building,

Present: Rich Bahle, Sandy VanHuystee, Dorothy Petroskey, Debbie Slocombe

Tom Nixon

Absent: None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Sandy VanHuystee/moved, Tom Nixon/supported, to approve the agenda as amended, #6 - No action, add #7 Pump Track, PASSED.

PUBLIC COMMENT and communications about items not on the agenda.

Gary Hoenscheid, Peck Rd. commented about Leelanau Watersports.

Leelanau Watersports/Letter from Zoning Administrator

Roxanne Degrandio, commented about Leelanau Watersports.

Correspondence with Village of Suttons Bay re Leo Creek.

Letter of Support/Invasive Species Network

REPORTS -

- Treasurer - tax bills sent out, tax payments coming in.
- Plann Comm. - Written reported from Steve Patmore, Z.A.
- Fire Authority - last nights meeting - finalized Fire Chief's evaluation, and received check from the Tribe for 2% which will go toward purchase of compressor.
- Parks & Rec - Unapproved Minutes submitted. Playing fields are in, hydroseeding coming in. Discussed proposed bylaws.
- Facilities Tom Nixon and Dorothy Petroskey reviewed drawings that Andy Rink sent to them with regard to remodeling the township offices.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Approval of the Minutes - June 9, 2021

Dorothy Petroskey/moved, Tom Nixon/supported, to approve the June 9, 2021

Minutes as corrected, delete Debbie Slocombe absent but excused. PASSED.

2. Approval of the Bills

Rich Bahle/moved, Debbie Slocombe/supported to pay the bills in the amount of \$58,736.05, PASSED.

NEW BUSINESS**4. Consideration of Suttons Bay Township Tax Exemption Ordinance - Vineyard View Apartments - Ordinance No. 2021-3**

John Stinson represented Homestretch Non-Profit Housing Corporation who is requesting approval of payment In Lieu of Taxes Tax Exemption (PILOT Ordinance) for Vineyard View Apartments of property located on N. Marek Road. Parcel No. 45-11-011-020-004-13. This Ordinance would provide for a service charge to be paid in lieu of taxes by any or all classes of housing projects exempt from taxation under this Act. The Township Assessor will receive a report at the end of the year of the shelter rents (actual rental without utilities).

Rich Bahle/moved, Tom Nixon/supported, to adopt Suttons Bay Township Ordinance No. 2021-3, Payment In Lieu Of Taxes Tax Exemption Ordinance Vineyard View Apartments. Roll call vote: Yes: Tom Nixon, Dorothy Petroskey, Debbie Slocombe, Sandy VanHuystee, Rich Bahle. No: None. Motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS**3. Memorandum of Understanding: Leelanau Soccer Club**

Debbie Slocombe said the Leelanau Soccer Club has reviewed the Memorandum of Understanding. Consensus of the Board that Tom Nixon and Debbie Slocombe will meet with representatives of the Leelanau Soccer Club.

4. OMA Training Session - Figura Law

Rich Bahle said the OMA Training Session with Figura Law will be in person on August 2, 2021 at 6 p.m. at the Suttons Bay Township Firehall and a zoom meeting.

5. Recreation Committee Bylaws

Tom Nixon submitted Draft 2 of the Parks and Recreation Committee Bylaws. The document recites, Purpose, Specific Committee Responsibilities, Membership, Officers and Duties, Meetings, and Compensation. The purpose of the Suttons Bay Township Parks and Recreation Committee is to assist the Township Board by communicating directly through the Township's Parks Supervisor about park and recreation needs and programs for the residents of the township. Appointed members of the committee will be compensated for their service as approved by the Township board. Rich Bahle said Tom Nixon will be meeting with the Recreation Committee to review the bylaws.

Rich Bahle/moved Sandy VanHuystee/supported, to adopt the Suttons Bay Township Parks and Recreation Committee Bylaws as submitted by Tom Nixon. Roll call vote: Yes: Tom Nixon, Sandy VanHuystee, Dorothy Petroskey, Rich Bahle. No: Debbie Slocombe- Motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Accept Jerry Battle's resignation from the Board of Review

Dorothy Petroskey/moved Sandy VanHuystee/supported, to accept Jerry Battle's resignation with regret from the Board of Review, PASSED.

2. Appoint Robert (Bob) Weyand to fill open Board of Review position through December 31, 2022.

Rich Bahle/moved, Sandy VanHuystee/supported, to appoint Robert (Bob) Weyand to fill the open Board of Review position through December 31, 2022, PASSED.

3. Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) Application

Rich Bahle submitted an article about the Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund (CLFRF) Application. Discussion was held about making application to the State of Michigan. Rich Bahle said the funds don't have to be spent until 2026.

Rich Bahle/moved, Sandy VanHuystee/supported, that Suttons Bay Township make application to the State of Michigan for the allocated Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Funds, PASSED.

5. Second Right of Refusal/Foreclosed Tax Parcel

Correspondence received from John A. Gallagher, Leelanau County Treasurer stating that the township has the right to purchase a foreclosed property - Parcel 011-642-011-20 which is up for sale.

Rich Bahle recommends that the township decline to purchase this foreclosed property.

Rich Bahle/moved, Debbie Slocombe/supported, that Suttons Bay Township declines the purchase of Parcel 011-642-011-20, PASSED.

6. Sidewalk Construction

Rich Bahle said the township is not planning to do anything at this time.

7. Pump Track at Herman Park

Discussion was held about the proposed pump track at Herman Park. Rich Bahle said the location of the pump track at Herman Park has not changed. The pump track is portable and could be moved from the site. Nimby is requesting approval to raise funds for a portable pump track at Herman Park.

Rich Bahle/moved, Tom Nixon/supported to authorize Nimby Mountain Bike Club to have a fund raiser to purchase a portable pump track to be located at Herman Park, PASSED.

OTHER BUSINESS

Bill Drozdalski submitted his resignation as a member of the Parks and Recreation Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Odom commented about items on the agenda.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Debbie Slocombe said signs will at put up at parks except for ~~Herman~~ Herman Park.

Sandy VanHuystee - Township Audit scheduled for July 29, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

Rich Bahle adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

**Minutes by Marge Johnson, Recording Secretay
Sandy VanHuystee, Clerk**

Approved as-corrected on August 11, 2021